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## Mexico

**Grain and Feed** 

**Mexico announces the last Auction for Permits** 

**Import to Dry beans (Revised)** 

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## **Report Highlights:**

On April 30, 2001, Mexico's Secretariat of Economy (SE) announced that on June 1, 2001, it will conduct an auction of permits to import 46,120 MT of U.S. dry edible beans (HS 0713.33.99). The stated quantity represents the second and final two-thirds of the total NAFTA tariff-rate quota (TRQ) for CY 2001. The auction for the first one-third was held on March 19, 2001 (See MX1023).

On April 30, 2001, the Mexican government published in the Diario Oficial (Federal Register) the Secretariat of Economy's (SE) announcement that on June 1 it will conduct the auction of the remaining NAFTA TRQ import permits for 46,120.5 MT of U.S. dry edible beans (except for planting), in lots of no more than 1,500 MT. Participation in the auction is limited to traders and packers in operation for at least one year. The auction itself will be conducted at SE in Mexico City at 10:30 a.m. on June 1. SE auctioned the first tranche of this year's TRQ (15,373.5 MT) on March 19, 2001. It should be noted that this first tranche was announced by SE a month before it took place (see MX1023). Under NAFTA, Mexico's minimum access obligation for U.S. dry edible bean in 2001 is a tariff rate quota of 61,494 MT.

Following are the auction details as contained in the Diario Oficial announcement:

Auction Number	Tariff Number	Product	Country	Unit	Auction Quantity (Kilograms)	Maximum auction amount per participant	Auction Date/ Time
31/2001	0713.33.99	Beans, except for planting	United States	Kg.	46,120,575	1,500,000	J u n e 1,2001 10:30 a.m.

Auction information and documents may be picked up by interested parties beginning on May 7, 2001 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in all SE offices throughout the country.

Sealed bids will be accepted starting  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours before auction time. The auction itself will be conducted at the date and time indicated above in the "Usos multiples" Room of SE at the following address:

Insurgentes Sur 1940 Planta Baja Colonia Florida Delegacion Alvaro Obregon C.P. 01030 Mexico, D.F.